

**Minutes of the Jasper Community Arts Commission
City of Jasper, Indiana
January 6, 2009**

The regular meeting of the Jasper Community Arts Commission was held at 4:30 pm on Tuesday, January 6, 2009, at the Jasper Arts Center. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and then roll call was held with the following **Commission Members Present:** Robin Norris, Greg Stoner, Michael Jones, Judy Lautzenhiser, Kendall Martin, Norma Kreilein, and Don Weisheit. **Commission Members Absent:** Doug Abbett, Mickey Seger, Ann Hilgefert and Pat Thyen. **Staff Members Present:** Kit Miracle, Doreen Lechner, Donna Schepers, and Kelley Leuck. **Regional Services Coordinator:** Jill Watson. **City Attorney:** Sandy Hemmerlein. **Guests in attendance:** City Councilman Butch Schitter, and Herald Reporter Kasey Hawrysz.

Mike Jones introduced the three new board members; Judy Lautzenhiser, Greg Stoner, and Kendall Martin.

Note: At 4:35 Norma Kreilein arrived.

Nominating Committee

Robin Norris stated that Doug Abbett has the slate of officers. She said that Mike Jones was nominated for President, but she did not know the nominations for Vice-President and Secretary. There were no further nominations from the floor for President. **Greg Stoner** made a motion to close the nominations for President. **Judy Lautzenhiser** seconded. Motion passed 6-0. All in attendance were in favor of Mike Jones for President, 7-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Robin Norris moved to approve the minutes of the December meeting. **Don Weisheit** seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

City Financial Statement

Don Weisheit moved to approve the financial statement. **Robin Norris** seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

City Claims and Regional Partnership Grant Claims

City claims in the amount of \$22,380.65 were presented. Regional Partnership Grant claims in the amount of \$1250.00 were presented. After conclusion of discussion, it was moved by **Don Weisheit** to accept the claims as presented. **Robin Norris** seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

PUBLIC BUSINESS

There was no public business.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Director's Report/Performing Arts

Kit reported.

- Kit discussed the 2008 budget. The Arts Center came in approximately \$102,000 under budget. That figure does include encumbered funds to be used for the new potters wheels, computer and banners.
- Kit requested permission to start the hiring process for the new part time employee. This person will assist with the programs and technical assistance. **Don Weisheit** made a motion to start the hiring process. **Robin Norris** seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

Building & Structures Report

Doreen reported.

- The potter's wheels and the new computer have been received and have been set up.

- Doreen stated that she will be getting more information from the acoustics company to do an analysis on the house.
- Doreen requested approval to replace the sound board. After discussion, **Robin Norris** made a motion to replace the board. **Greg Stoner** seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

Education Report

Donna reported.

- Tricia Walker will be in the schools on Friday January 16th. She will be with the eighth grade students, as well as the high school choir students and American history students.
- An Da Union will be here the week of January 26th. They will be in the schools and will give a performance at city hall on Monday. They will have a public performance at the Arts Center on Saturday Jan 31st at 8:00 pm.
- Donna will be going to Washington DC in February for the Kennedy Center meeting. It is required in phase 2 to have at least 1 team member from the school and the arts commission to attend.

Visual Arts Report

Kit reported for Amy.

- The Tom Lundquist exhibit is on display. He will be here for the reception and gallery talk on January 23rd. All of the artwork on display will be given away at the end of the month. He will also be giving workshops for the JHS graphic arts and business students.

Region 11 Report

Jill reported.

- There will be a photographing artwork workshop on Saturday January 10th from 10:00-2:00. Seventeen people have signed up.
- Jill will be holding grant information workshops. There will be one in Tell City on January 12th, one in Paoli on January 19th, one on January 27th and again on February 3rd at the Arts Center.
- There will be an INteract meeting on January 27th. Artists are invited to bring in their grant applications. It will start at 6:00 p.m.
- Jill and Kit received a call from the IAC shortly before the board meeting. There has been a change in the state budget. Region 11 will only be receiving \$4800 of the \$8500 still owed. Grantees will not be receiving the full amount of their grants. More information will be available at the next board meeting.

Old Business

- Discussion was held on a date for the next fundraising committee. Members will be notified when the meeting will be held.

New Business

- There was no new business to discuss.

Adjournment

Greg Stoner made a motion to adjourn at 5:55 pm. **Robin Norris** seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

Mike Jones

Attested